



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Black *et al.*
Serial No. : 10/784,300
Filed : February 24, 2004
Title : CRYSTALLINE TNF-ALPHA-CONVERTING ENZYME AND USES
THEREOF

Art Unit : 1656
Examiner : David J. Steadman
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PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, Applicants hereby petition that the period for response to the action dated July 25, 2006, be extended for two months to and including December 25, 2006.

Enclosed is a check for \$450 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 16163-039004.

Respectfully submitted,

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